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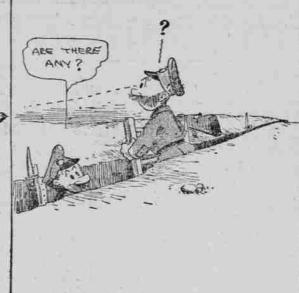




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# JESS BARS NO MAN WHO'S

Kansas Champion Is Itching Question Will Be Settled at N. Y. Meeting Monday. for Ring Battles.

He Says He Expects to Knock Sixteen Sport Organizations

cles right away.

I bar no man who figures to have a chance of winning the title from me. Coffey, Moran, Weinert, Savage, Smith, Dillon or anybody else can have a crack at the crown if they can get me a fair price for my services.

I am going to fight only two more years. During that time I will meet all comers and then retire.

I expect Fred Fulion to give me quite an argument, but I am confident of winning by a knockout. I figure that it may take me ten or twelve rounds to "get" him, for they tell me he is a pretty shifty fellow, who has improved a lot during the past few months.

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Fulton May Lose Match.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 25.—Local fight promoters who had arranged for a twenty round bout for the world's heavyweight championship on March 4, between Jess Willard, the Hillsholder, and Fred Fulton of Rochester.

Minn., announced Friday night that Frank Moran of Pittsburg probably would be substituted for Fulton.

A telegram was sent to Tem Jones, Willard's manager, advising him to have Jack Curley of New York sign Moran for the fight.

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Chicago. Dec. 25.—Mike Collins, manager of Fred Fulton, said "probably a dream," when given the New Orleans story that Frank Moran had been substituted for Fulton as Jess Willard's opponent in the fight scheduled for March 4, at New Orleans.

"We have signed air tight articles and posted guarantees," said Collins. "Willard put up \$2,300, and Fulton the same amount and the money is in the hands of Tom Andrews of Milwaukee, I don't believe there is the faintest basis for the story."

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New York, Dec. 25.—Before leaving for Chicago, Tom Jones, manager of Jess Willard, heavyweight champion, issued a statement in which he said he expected soon to arrange a match for Willard with either Frank Moran or Jim Coffey. He made no reference to the possible substitution of Moran for Fred Fulton in the fight arranged at New Orleans.

# A BIG TURKEY SHOOT

Topeka Gun Club Will Stage Big Event of Holidays Tuesday Afternoon,

The Topeka Gun club will hold a big turkey shoot at its grounds in High-land Park next Tuesday at 1 o'clock and members of the club are planning to make it the biggest sport event in Topeka during the Christmas holi-

days.

The shoot will not be exclusively for members of the club, but a number of outsiders will be invited, including gun men from Manhattan, Lawrence and other Kansas towns. A large supply of birds is being arranged for and members state that those who attend and do not take home with them a plump, fat fowl will have only their poor marksmanship to blame.

A. R. Springer, one of the most enthusiastic and active members of the club, is one of the members who is working hard to make the real "live bird" shoot one of the biggest successes of the year for the club.

Paid Big Price for Browns. Paid Big Price for Browns.
St. Louis, Mc., Dec. 25.—"We paid much more than \$400,000 for the St. Louis Americans," said Phil Ball, here Friday night when asked for verification of a published report that \$400,000 had been the purchase price. He declined, to make the exact figures with."

# Sport Wheezes BY CLUG-

A merry Xmas to all. Stale stuff,

If there is such a thing as equity in baseball, then it seems that the minor leagues that lost players to the Fed-erals should at least be compensated for them before the Federal League clubs are allowed to turn them over to other major league clubs. Plans for a state high school basket-

Plans for a state high school basket-ball tournament to be held in Law-rence March 17 and 18 have been an-nounced. It is expected that much in-terest will be manifested since each of the eight districts in Kansas usually produces a team of championship cal-iber.

THE THREE WISE MEN OF BASEBALL

sorb Fed clubs will be allowed to carry an unlimited number of players.

If these clubs were compelled to confine themselves to 21 or 25 players, they would have to let their surplus stock drift back to the big minors. But, being permitted to hold them, they plan to make the minors pay for what they get.

Sinclair says that the money he lost And if Santa Claus did not bring you what you wanted, think of the boys in the trenches, and of the Fed players whose contracts have expired.

Sincial says that the money he lost during his year's filing in baseball amounted to practically nothing. Practically nothing is as definite as boys in the trenches, and of the Fed players whose contracts have expired. cago lappers will be allowed to consume after midnight tonight.

Last Xmas Topeka sports enjoyed a wrestling match that wasn't. This year they were given their first taste of automatic baseball than isn't.

The shopping league season for 1915 is just about over. And most wives batted '823 with their worser halves' necksthools. pocketbooks.

Will Adopt a Definition.

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System Willard.

New York, Dec. 25.—The names of the Chicago, Ill., Dec. 25.—I want to get back in the ring. I am sick and get back in the ring. I am sick and tired of theatrical work. I am willing to meet all logical contenders and will take them all on, one right after the other. I am willing to fish any man selected 10 days after my bout with Fred Fulton in New Orleans.

Johnston seems to be anxious to match me with the winner of the Coffey-Morain fight for St. Patricks.

And, speaking of fighters and Ad, its recalled that the former champion, by the way, are not exorbitant, and I'll place my John Hanceck to articles right away.

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I have a crack at the crown if they can

But Jess Willard, who was born in a respectable place like Emmett decides that Chicago is the town in which he should raise Little Jess and leave his wife while he is out fighting Fulloni. These fighters certainly have novel ideas about "home."

Denny Sullivan, new manager of the Drummers, announces that he has signed a new first sacker by the name of Claude Jourdan who hails from the North Carolina League. Sullivan picked up his new find in New Orleans.

If there is such a thing as equity in baseball, then it seems that the minor

# BRICKLEY WILL STAY WITH JOHNS HOPKINS

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 25.—
Charles E. Brickley, spoken of as a possible successor to Percy D. Haughton as hend coach of the Harvard football team, Friday signed a contract to continue at the helm of Johns Hopkins football team for one more season. In the season just finished Johns Hopkins under Brickley's coaching scored in every contest played and won the championship of its district

-Chicago Sunday Herald.

# Slants

By "Zeke"

How Henry Stopped the Squabble. Bold Henry Ford, he said, says he, "I have a pretty notion That I can stop this squabble daft Across the Atlantic Ocean."

Then all the people laughed, and said, They'd like to see him stop it; It was a worthy project, but He really ought to drop it.

To carry out his foolish plan He never would be able; He'd just as well step down and out And get beneath the table. But Henry was a stubborn man; A fellow with a mission, And heeded not their panning, but Recruited a Commission.

Now, Henry had a lot of "kale,"; He vowed his plan was stable; He chartered then a little bark And stocked her to the gable.

"Come on, my gallant boys!" he cried, "And gather round my table. We'll show these boobs," said Henry, "This is no fairy fable!"

They gathered in from far and near Upon this invitation; Reporters, preachers, lecturers; The nuts from half the nation. And now the boat, a grand old ark, Departs smid great commution, The Lord be praised they're apt to hit A mine, out in the Ocean.

But no! old Oscar, flashing through Six hundred Rugues of water, We find our Henry high and dry And not too near the slaughter.

And now unto the end we come, Of this most peaceful lay, We'll see if all these warring hosts Will quit by Christmas Day.

And if our missionary should Come through without a bobble. We'll tell our aons, to make them How Henry stopped the squabble

And if, perchance, our Henry falls, This riot fierce, to quell: "We said be condent—all the time" The people all will yell. The moral of this little song Should be quite plain to you; If you get by with it, it makes No diff just what you do.

(Later-Henry Failed!)

When the women folks begin to aution you about going out without for lovers we wish dim alcoves and our rubbers it is a sign that old age crawling up on you.

satisfy.

For lovers we wish dim alcoves and the favor of the beloved, and that the fires on the heart hearths may never discovered.

Why is it that despite the fact that it takes all the closet room and all the dresser drawers in the house to accommodate a woman's clothes and other appurtenances, she can, in the space of a few short hours, gather all the plunder together under the lid of one small steamer trunk, and still add the Christmas things she wants to take with her.

day be safely relaxed, and that the pleasure in the childish antics may be multiplied infinitely.

For those where the passage of time has marked aged, we wish happy memories of burdens overcome and difficulties surmounted. Memories of all of them colored and glorified by the home light visible ahead at the end of the journey.

People who live in houses can never understand how their friends can stand to live in a flat.

Fifteen Racers From Europe Sell for \$50,000 in New York.

Nothing causes as much general satisfaction and rejoicing among decent men as the discomfiture of a short loan shark.

The department stores are playing their annual joke on themselves. We refer to the custom of calling the additional salespeople, brought in for the holiday rush, "extra help."

To date we have refrained from knocking Henry Ford's peace expedition. We felt that Henry surely must have some startling plan up his sleeve that would cause the war to melt and run away. We believe now that we have discovered it.

The armies of the belligerents are

going to be so convulsed with mirth over the antics of the peace mission-aries that they will all laugh them-selves to death, thus, as you can readi-ly see, ending the war painlessly and completely, and without further blood-shed.

People in the city usually get somewhat interested in the sensational allegations of the parties to a family row, but for real live, active, partisan excitment, you will have to look to the old home town of the lady in the case.

Either lady.

We are glad to see that General Villa is going to find a haven of refuge in this country. To a man of his refined and sensitive nature the turmoil incidental to the reorganization of a country from the Mexican chaos must be particularly depressing.

From the values set on the estate of the late Elbert Hubbard, we gather that, in addition to his other activities, Elbert was something of a numis-matist,

Diagram: A numismatist is a coin collector.

Nearly everywhere else people have quit; but a news item from Missouri shows that there are some people there yet who insist on thawing dyna-mite over an open fire.

Since this is the merry Yultide and every one else is doing it we must add our good wishes to the rest.

For the small boys we wish trains—trains that push and trains that push and trains that run without either pushing or pulling or winding, and that have headlights that light and bells that ring and whistles that blow, and real tracks to run on. Trains large and small and middle sized, but trains us the heart desires them, and innumerable.

For the little sisters of small boys we wish doils—doils with golden hair, doils with red hair, doils with black hair and doils with brown hair. Doils that have brown eyes; doils that are fair and doils that are dusky. Doils large and small and middle sized, dois that are wakeful and doils that go to sleep, and real beds for them to sleep in and real beds for them to sleep in and real carriages for them to ride in. Doils as the heart desires them, and innumerable.

For boys and girls we wish skates

innumerable.

For boys and girls we wish skates and sleds and guns and ribbons and furs and furbelows. Real parties with lights and music and singing and dancing and joyous laughter. And all that their glad hearts desire, and to satisfy.

From the press reports we are led to believe that President Wilson has married a Mrs. Norman Galt, nee Bolling, and that they are on a wedding trip somewhere in Virginia.

what has become of the old fashwhat has been stealing Teddy's "stuff." What a shock old Teddy will get when he goes to heaven—of couse he will take in both places—and runs into old man Adam.

At that it is something of a feat to concoct a bull moose out of a few elephant rib ends.

Topeka can boast of one kind of fool that is peculiar to this one Kansas town. The caliber of the man who leaves empty whisky bottles sitting around in conspieuous places on the state house grounds is easily deduced from labels on the bottles.

Concerning the embroilment which seems to be present in the late republic of China, we believe the attitude of the United States should be one of watchful waiting.

What has become of the old fash—

Transfer From Entore Stoler From Entore Stoler From Labels of Mere Stoler (Mark Vork, Dec. 25.—Horsemen said today that the sale of fifteen thoroughbred horses, bred and foaled in Europe, for about \$50,000, an average of more than \$3.200, was the best showing of prices obtained for thoroughbred in this state for many years. The horses were the property of Charles H. Mackay and were bred on his farm in Normandy, France The sale was conducted here last night.

John H. Morris, of Kentucky, paid the top price, \$6,600 for Sun Light, a chestnat colt by Sundridge-Spectrum. It was reported that Morris was acting in behalf of Kenneth Alexander, of Versilles, Ky.

John Sanford, state racing commissioner of Amsterillam, N. Y., was the largest individual purchaser. He paid \$5,500 for Glorana, a yearling filly by Meddler-Ballantrae, \$4,000 for Plerred-Fue, by Rocksand-Guntire.

Crawford—"He doesn't seem to be very

one of watchful watting.

What has become of the old fash-loned man who used to order three soft boiled eggs; two for his stomach and one for his shirt front.

Crawford—"He doesn't seem to be venthused over his vacation." Crabshaw "No wonder. He has to spend it in place where he bought a house and lot." Judge.



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